COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING EVALUATION

UNIT: SANTA CLARITA VALLEY STATION
DATE: DECEMBER 25, 1993
TIME: 2226
LOCATION: SOUTHBOUND INTERSTATE 5, NORTH OF HUNGRY VALLEY ROAD

URN#: 093-17136-0680-055
IAB#: 006770
NATURE OF INCIDENT: ATTEMPT MURDER ON PEACE OFFICER - SUSPECT INJURED

COMPLETED BY: SERGEANT GARY R. DE CEW
Internal Affairs Bureau

DATE: JANUARY 19, 1994

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CLASSIFICATION

ACCIDENTAL:	No
GUN TAKE-AWAY:	No
PERSON(S) ARMED:	Empty Taurus, 9mm semi automatic pistol
PERSON(S) UNARMED:	No
STARTLE:	No
UNINTENTIONAL:	No
DEPUTY IN UNIFORM:	[X] RAID JACKET: [ ] PLAIN CLOTHES: [ ]
VEST WORN:	Yes
FOOT PURSUIT:	No
VEHICLE PURSUIT:	No
MOVING VEHICLE:	No
VEHICLE STOP:	No
TYPE OF HOLSTER:	County issue
GUN IN HOLSTER:	No
STRUGGLE INVOLVED:	No
ADDITIONAL FACTS AND INFORMATION:	

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DEPUTY INVOLVED

SHOOTER

EMPLOYEE'S NAME		
Cline, Corry		

RANK	EMPLOYEE NO.	UNIT AND DIVISION / REGION OF ASSIGNMENT
Deputy	[redacted]	Santa Clarita Valley Station/Field Operations Region I

SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH	AGE
M	White	6'04"	200	[redacted]	34

DUTY STATUS	HIRE DATE
Continuing on Duty	[redacted]

UNIFORM	RAID JACKET	PLAIN CLOTHES	VEST
Yes	Not applicable	Not applicable	Yes

INJURED	DECEASED	CORONER'S CASE NO.
No	No	Not applicable

DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES
Not applicable

WAS THE DEPUTY IMMEDIATELY REMOVED FROM THE SCENE? YES [X] NO [ ]

WAS THE DEPUTY SEQUESTERED PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW? YES [X] NO [ ]
WHERE? Santa Clarita Valley Station
SUPERVISED BY:

WEAPON USED

TYPE	AUTHORIZED
Ithaca, Model 37, Shotgun	Yes

AMMUNITION TYPE	AUTHORIZED
#4 Buckshot	Yes

RANGE QUALIFICATION (LAST DATE)	NO. OF ROUNDS FIRED BY DEPUTY	NO. OF HITS
[redacted]	2	Unable to Determine

DEPUTY'S TOXICOLOGY

UNDER THE INFLUENCE	TEST FOR CAUSE ORDERED	ORDERED BY
No	No	Not applicable

TRAINING INFORMATION

LASER VILLAGE TRAINING (LAST DATE)	PRACTICAL POLICE COURSE (LAST DATE)
[redacted]	[redacted]

ASSIGNMENT HISTORY

DATE	UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT	RANK
11-89 to present	Santa Clarita Valley Station	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy Trainee

PRIOR SHOOTING INCIDENTS (ALL KNOWN INCIDENTS WHERE DEPUTY HAS DISCHARGED A WEAPON INCLUDING ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGES AND SHOTS FIRED AT ANIMALS OR HUMANS)

FILE	DATE	TYPE
		[redacted]

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DEPUTY INVOLVED

SHOOTER

EMPLOYEE'S NAME						
Duffy, Vance						

RANK	EMPLOYEE NO.	UNIT AND DIVISION / REGION OF ASSIGNMENT
Deputy	[redacted]	Santa Clarita Valley Station/Field Operations Region I

SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH	AGE
M	White	6"04"	175	[redacted]	[redacted]

DUTY STATUS	HIRE DATE
Continuing on Duty	[redacted]

UNIFORM	RAID JACKET	PLAIN CLOTHES	VEST
Yes	Not applicable	Not applicable	Yes

INJURED	DECEASED	CORONER'S CASE NO.
No	No	Not applicable

DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES
Not applicable

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WAS THE DEPUTY SEQUESTERED PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW? YES [X] NO [ ]

WHERE? Santa Clarita Valley Station

SUPERVISED BY:

WEAPON USED

TYPE	AUTHORIZED
Beretta 92F	Yes

AMMUNITION TYPE	AUTHORIZED
9mm Winchester	Yes

RANGE QUALIFICATION (LAST DATE)	NO. OF ROUNDS FIRED BY DEPUTY	NO. OF HITS
[redacted]	2	Unable to Determine

DEPUTY'S TOXICOLOGY

UNDER THE INFLUENCE	TEST FOR CAUSE ORDERED	ORDERED BY
No	No	Not applicable

TRAINING INFORMATION

LASER VILLAGE TRAINING (LAST DATE)	PRACTICAL POLICE COURSE (LAST DATE)
[redacted]	[redacted]

ASSIGNMENT HISTORY

DATE	UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT	RANK
08-93 to present	Santa Clarita Valley Station	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy Trainee

PRIOR SHOOTING INCIDENTS (ALL KNOWN INCIDENTS WHERE DEPUTY HAS DISCHARGED A WEAPON INCLUDING ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGES AND SHOTS FIRED AT ANIMALS OR HUMANS)

FILE	DATE	TYPE
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]

LOS ANGE S COUNTY - SHERIFF'S DE RTMENT

DEPUTY INVOLVED

SHOOTER					
EMPLOYEE'S NAME Roberts, John					
RANK Deputy	EMPLOYEE NO. [redacted]	UNIT AND DIVISION / REGION OF ASSIGNMENT Santa Clarita Valley Station/Field Operations Region I			
SEX M	RACE W	HEIGHT 6"04"	WEIGHT 215	DATE OF BIRTH [redacted]	AGE 27
DUTY STATUS Continuing on Duty				HIRE DATE [redacted]	
UNIFORM Yes	RAID JACKET No	PLAIN CLOTHES No	VEST Yes		
INJURED No		DECEASED No	CORONER'S CASE NO. Not Applicable		
DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES Not Applicable					

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WAS THE DEPUTY SEQUESTERED PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW? YES [X] NO [ ]

WHERE? Santa Clarita Valley Station

SUPERVISED BY:

WEAPON USED		
TYPE Beretta 92F	AUTHORIZED Yes	
AMMUNITION TYPE 9mm Winchester	AUTHORIZED Yes	
RANGE QUALIFICATION (LAST DATE) [redacted]	NO. OF ROUNDS FIRED BY DEPUTY 15	NO. OF HITS Unable to determine

DEPUTY'S TOXICOLOGY		
UNDER THE INFLUENCE No	TEST FOR CAUSE ORDERED No	ORDERED BY Not Applicable

TRAINING INFORMATION	
LASER VILLAGE TRAINING (LAST DATE) [redacted]	PRACTICAL POLICE COURSE (LAST DATE) [redacted]

ASSIGNMENT HISTORY

DATE	UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT	RANK
10-91 to present	Santa Clarita Valley Station	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy Trainee

PRIOR SHOOTING INCIDENTS (ALL KNOWN INCIDENTS WHERE DEPUTY HAS DISCHARGED A WEAPON INCLUDING ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGES AND SHOTS FIRED AT ANIMALS OR HUMANS)

FILE	DATE	TYPE
		[redacted]

LOS ANG⁀ES COUNTY - SHERIFF'S D⁀ARTMENT

DEPUTY INVOLVED

SHOOTER						
EMPLOYEE'S NAME Stillwell, Dustin						
RANK Deputy	EMPLOYEE NO. [redacted]	UNIT AND DIVISION / REGION OF ASSIGNMENT Santa Clarita Valley Station/Field Operations Region I				
SEX M	RACE White	HEIGHT 5'10"	WEIGHT 175	DATE OF BIRTH [redacted]	AGE 30	
DUTY STATUS Continuing on Duty					HIRE DATE [redacted]	
UNIFORM Yes.	RAID JACKET No	PLAIN CLOTHES No	VEST Yes			
INJURED No	DECEASED No	CORONER'S CASE NO. Not Applicable				
DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES Not Applicable						

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WAS THE DEPUTY SEQUESTERED PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW? YES [X] NO [ ]

WHERE? Santa Clarita Valley Station

SUPERVISED BY:

WEAPON USED		
TYPE Beretta 92F	AUTHORIZED Yes	
AMMUNITION TYPE 9mm Winchester	AUTHORIZED Yes	
RANGE QUALIFICATION (LAST DATE) [redacted]	NO. OF ROUNDS FIRED BY DEPUTY 3	NO. OF HITS Unable to determine

DEPUTY'S TOXICOLOGY		
UNDER THE INFLUENCE No	TEST FOR CAUSE ORDERED No	ORDERED BY Not Applicable

TRAINING INFORMATION	
LASER VILLAGE TRAINING (LAST DATE) [redacted]	PRACTICAL POLICE COURSE (LAST DATE) [redacted]

ASSIGNMENT HISTORY

DATE	UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT	RANK
04-90 to present	Santa Clarita Valley Station	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy Trainee

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FILE	DATE	TYPE
		[redacted]

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DEPUTY INVOLVED

SHOOTER

EMPLOYEE'S NAME Sutton, Wes					
RANK Deputy	EMPLOYEE NO. [redacted]	UNIT AND DIVISION / REGION OF ASSIGNMENT Santa Clarita Valley Station/Field Operations Region I			
SEX M	RACE White	HEIGHT 5'09"	WEIGHT 145	DATE OF BIRTH [redacted]	AGE 37
DUTY STATUS Continuing on Duty				HIRE DATE [redacted]	
UNIFORM Yes	RAID JACKET No	PLAIN CLOTHES No		VEST Yes	
INJURED No			DECEASED No	CORONER'S CASE NO. Not Applicable	
DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES Not Applicable					

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WAS THE DEPUTY SEQUESTERED PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW? YES [X] NO [ ]

WHERE? Santa Clarita Valley Station

SUPERVISED BY:

WEAPON USED

TYPE Beretta 92F	AUTHORIZED Yes	
AMMUNITION TYPE 9mm Winchester	AUTHORIZED Yes	
RANGE QUALIFICATION (LAST DATE) [redacted]	NO. OF ROUNDS FIRED BY DEPUTY 9	NO. OF HITS Undetermined

DEPUTY'S TOXICOLOGY

UNDER THE INFLUENCE No	TEST FOR CAUSE ORDERED No	ORDERED BY Not Applicable

TRAINING INFORMATION

LASER VILLAGE TRAINING (LAST DATE) [redacted]	PRACTICAL POLICE COURSE (LAST DATE) [redacted]

DEPUTY INVOLVED
Continued

ASSIGNMENT HISTORY

DATE	UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT	RANK
09-93 to present	Santa Clarita Valley Station	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy
[redacted]	[redacted]	Deputy Trainee

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FILE	DATE	TYPE
		[redacted]

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT DATA

WHAT INITIATED INCIDENT

Call	Observation	Search Warrant	Arrest Warrant
X			

LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE

Interstate 5 Freeway, one tenth mile north of the Hungry Valley Road southbound off-ramp

TYPE OF LOCATION

Residence		Business		Industrial		Parking Lot	
Street		Backyard		Freeway	X	Rural	
Other							

SHOOTING CONDITIONS

DATE	TIME	DAY
12-25-93	2226	Saturday

LIGHTING	WEATHER
Night time	Clear and Cold

DISTANCE

Seventy one feet, eight inches (71"8")

CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

Suspect was armed with a 9mm pistol in his right hand and aimed it at an approaching radio car

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SUSPECT/SUBJECT

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	M/I
Yandrich	Steve	L

ADDRESS
[redacted]

SEX:	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	D.O.B.	AGE	DECEASED
M	White	6' 00"	180	07-21-65	28	No

INJURED	DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES
Yes	Bullet wounds to both arms, both legs, back, buttocks, and penis

SUSPECT'S TOXICOLOGY

UNDER THE INFLUENCE
Possibly alcohol, can not be obtained without a court order

TYPE OF SUBSTANCE	LAB TEST CONDUCTED

ARMED	TYPE OF WEAPON
Yes	Taurus 9mm pistol

NUMBER OF SHOTS FIRED BY SUSPECT	NUMBER OF HITS
None	None

SUSPECT VEHICLE
Not involved in incident

CRIMINAL HISTORY (ATTACH COPY OF RAPS)
[redacted]

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT
The suspect had carjacked a van in Kern County, crashed it, and fled on foot. He was surrounded by CHP Officers and Deputies, refused to drop his handgun, and aimed it at an approaching radio car which was approximately seventy five feet away.

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT

On December 25, 1993, at about 2150 hours, Suspect Steve Yandrich carjacked a van from a Canadian family, at gunpoint, who had stopped for gas at the Texaco Station adjacent to the southbound Frazier Mountain off-ramp to the Interstate 5 Freeway. The victim and witnesses reported the theft to the Kern County Sheriff's Department and responding deputies broadcast the suspect and vehicle description, requesting assistance from CHP and Santa Clarita Valley(SCV) Station personnel south of their position.

At approximately 2210 hours, a citizen informant reported to CHP officers that there was a van abandoned on the center median of the southbound Interstate 5 Freeway, south of Gorman, and a lone male was walking south on the southbound shoulder.

At 2222 hours, CHP and SCV units located Suspect Yandrich, walking south on the southbound shoulder one tenth of a mile north of the Hungry Valley Road off-ramp, and a cooperative vehicle blockade was established. Sergeant Lawrence Doyle illuminated the suspect using his vehicle's high beams and spotlight while approaching north on the southbound shoulder. Both CHP officers and SCV deputies, who had positioned themselves at the east side of the center divider, shouted repeatedly at the suspect to drop the gun he was holding. The suspect, apparently ignoring their orders, suddenly raised and pointed the gun at Sergeant Doyle who was inside his radio car. The Deputies and CHP Officers believed the suspect was going to shoot Sergeant Doyle and fired several rounds at the suspect. Most of the Deputies and CHP Officers reassessed the suspect and when he turned and pointed his gun in their direction, they fired several more rounds at him until he fell to the ground and released his gun.

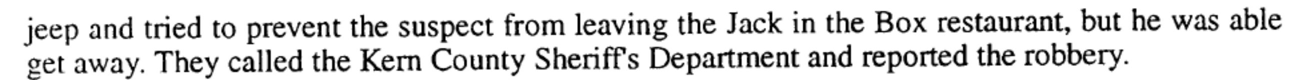
The suspect was airlifted to Henry Mayo Hospital where he was treated for multiple gunshot wounds to his torso, arms, and legs. None of the deputies or CHP officers were injured.

An empty 9mm Taurus semiautomatic pistol was recovered from the suspect. This pistol was unloaded and did not have a magazine installed in its grip.

There were twenty four expended 9mm bullet casings, two expended 12 gauge shot gun shells and twenty three expended.40 caliber bullet casings recovered.

The victim of the carjacking, Mr. [redacted] of Alberta, Canada, said he was travelling to Los Angeles with his family to visit other family members when he stopped at the Texaco Station to purchase gas. He was outside his van when Suspect Yandrich approached him placed a gun to his neck and told him to check it out. He said the suspect demanded his keys and he replied that they were inside the van. The suspect said he was going to take the van and Mr. [redacted] told him his family was inside. The suspect told him they had three seconds to get out of the van as he got into the front seat. After the family members exited the van, the suspect left, driving into a driveway of the neighboring Jack in The Box Restaurant, and since there was no outlet, the suspect had to turn around. Mr. [redacted] said the gas attendant and a co-worker had got into a jeep and tried to block the suspect's escape, but the suspect maneuvered around them fleeing south on the Interstate 5 Freeway.

[redacted] the gas attendant, said he was filling the van when he saw the suspect approach Mr. [redacted] and point the gun at him, demanding the keys. At one point he said the suspect pointed the gun at his stomach and told him if he called the police he would kill him. He said he and his Foster father, [redacted] who also was working at the gas station got into their


jeep and tried to prevent the suspect from leaving the Jack in the Box restaurant, but he was able get away. They called the Kern County Sheriff's Department and reported the robbery.

I.A.B. Note: Mr. [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] all stated that they did not observe the shooting incident.

CHP Officer [redacted] of the Newhall CHP Office told Homicide Investigators that he heard the robbery broadcast, responded, saw the abandoned van, and checked the area for the suspect. He heard another CHP Unit broadcast that the suspect was in some bushes on the southbound shoulder of the Interstate 5 Freeway at the Hungry Valley Road off-ramp. He was advised that the suspect was crossing the freeway west toward the center divider. He re-entered the freeway northbound at Hungry Valley Road and pulled over to the center divider behind another CHP unit.

CHP Officer [redacted] said he heard the carjacking broadcast and that the van had been abandoned by the suspect. He drove south on the Interstate 5 Freeway, saw the van, and continued driving south. He heard via his radio that the suspect was seen on the southbound shoulder of the Interstate 5 Freeway at Hungry Valley Road and exited there to take a south position of containment. He heard that the suspect was running across the freeway to the center divider, so he re-entered the freeway northbound and pulled over to the center divider to stop him.

Witness Sergeant Doyle told IAB Investigators that he was inside SCV Station when he heard the broadcast request by Kern County Sheriff's Department concerning the carjacking and abandonment of the van by the suspect. He responded along with other SCV Units northbound on the Interstate 5 Freeway.

All of the SCV deputies and Sergeant Doyle stated substantially the same concerning the radio broadcast for help concerning the carjacking and that the suspect was described as a male white about 25 years old with a mustache, brown hair, wearing dark clothing, about 5'10' - 11' tall, and 160 pounds in weight.

Sergeant Doyle said that at one point, he had exited at Hungry Valley Road and stopped to talk to a male citizen informant. He added that because of the following rapid chain of events, he did not get this person's name and he had apparently left the area. He continued saying that the informant was telling him he had seen the suspect and he appeared to be walking down the southbound Hungry Valley Road off-ramp. He said that he then saw a lone female CHP Officer exit the freeway on that ramp, make a U-turn, and drive back up the off-ramp in the wrong direction.

Sergeant Doyle said he believed the female CHP Officer was about to confront the suspect, so he drove up the off-ramp in the wrong direction to back her up. The off-ramp was an incline and he could not see the CHP unit until he crested the ramp. He saw the CHP Unit about seventy five yards ahead of him and she backed up to the right side of his vehicle. He said she told him that the suspect was walking south on the west shoulder. There was another radio car about one thousand yards to the north of his location.

Deputy Duffy said he and his partner, Deputy Stillwell, were in the Castaic area when they heard the broadcast. They drove north on the Interstate 5 Freeway until they observed the van at the southbound median of the freeway. They advised other SCV Units to check the vicinity for the suspect. They drove south on the freeway and exited at the Hungry Valley Road off-ramp to search for the suspect on Lake Pyramid Road, which parallels the freeway.

Deputy Stillwell stated substantially the same as Deputy Duffy adding that he recalled a broadcast that a citizen had reported seeing the suspect southbound on the Interstate 5 Freeway at Hungry Valley Road.

Deputy Roberts said that he drove north on the Interstate 5 Freeway, exiting at Vista De Lago for a southern containment when he heard that the CHP had seen the suspect running across the freeway at the Hungry Valley Road off-ramp.

Deputies Corry Cline and Wes Sutton said that they responded to the area and exited at Vista De Lago. They heard that the suspect was fleeing across the freeway at Hungry Valley Road, re-entered the freeway, saw CHP Units stopped at the center divider, and pulled to a stop behind them.

Sergeant Doyle said that he saw the female CHP Officer to his right approaching the suspect on foot and he yelled for her to use his vehicle as cover. He saw the suspect run east across the freeway, almost getting hit by southbound traffic. The next time he saw him, he was back on the west side of the freeway at the edge of the number four lane and southbound shoulder. It was at this time that he saw the suspect was holding a dark colored steel handgun in his right hand.

Sergeant Doyle said that he was approximately seventy five from the suspect, saw him raise his right arm, pointing the gun at him. He ducked sideways below the level of his radio car's dashboard, and he withdrew his pistol. He said he believed that the suspect was going to rush him. As he was about to raise his head to locate the suspect. He heard a single shot and then a volley of shots. He saw the suspect jerk as he was being hit, but not dropping his gun, or falling right away.

Deputy Cline said that he saw the suspect facing east near the number four lane of the southbound side of the freeway. The suspect was moving in what he described as an agitated state, holding a handgun in his right hand, and appearing to be walking backward. Deputy Cline exited his radio car taking the shotgun and using the guard rail as cover. He pointed the shotgun at the suspect as he heard a very loud admonition for the suspect to drop his handgun. It appeared to him that the suspect was turning west to run into some bushes west of the freeway. Deputy Cline said he saw Sergeant Doyle's radio car and as the suspect turned, he raised the gun to chest level. He heard one or two shots and thought the suspect was firing at the radio car. Fearing for the life of the occupant of the radio car, Deputy Cline said he fired two shot gun rounds at the suspect. He saw the suspect bend forward, stop and reach toward the ground, and then turn completely. The suspect then stepped backward, to the west, and fell to the ground.

Deputy Sutton said he saw the suspect at the number four lane of the southbound side of the freeway with a gun in his right hand, pointed toward the ground. Deputy Sutton said he stood behind the guard rail, withdrew his Beretta Pistol, and pointed it at the suspect. He heard several officers yell to the suspect to drop his weapon. He added that the orders to drop the gun were so loud that he thought they were via a PA system. He said he did not recall that there was any southbound traffic at this time. Deputy Sutton said the suspect was moving side to side while rocking back and forth. He saw the radio car south of the suspect. The suspect raised his right arm and appeared to aim the gun with his outstretched arm. Deputy Sutton said he was afraid the suspect was going to shoot at the radio car driver, so he decided to fire. He heard someone else fire before him and he fired six to seven slow volleys. The suspect appeared as though he was going to fall with his right arm pointed toward the ground, but the suspect stood up and faced the center divider, pointed the gun at the officers and deputies. Fearing that the suspect was going to shoot, he fired two to three more times. He said he also heard more gun fire. The suspect staggered backward and fell onto his stomach and right side with his head facing east. Deputy Sutton said he stopped

firing, but heard some more shots being fired.

Deputy Duffy said that he saw the suspect standing in the vicinity of the number four southbound lane. He said the suspect appeared to be intoxicated due to his movement. He saw the suspect raise and point a large gun at Sergeant Doyle's radio car while turning and into a crouch position. Deputy Duffy felt that the suspect was going to fire at Sergeant Doyle, therefore he fired two rounds from his Beretta Pistol at the suspect. He stopped to reassess the situation. While the deputies and officers were shooting at the suspect, the suspect continued to move around even though he was being shot at. He noticed that the suspect had been hit when he stumbled, but he came back up with the gun still in his hand. The suspect continued to move around, seeming unconcerned that he was being shot. Deputy Duffy said he believed he missed the suspect.

Deputy Stillwell said he saw that the suspect was in the number four southbound lane armed with a dark metal handgun. He pointed his Berretta Pistol at the suspect and said he became focused on him. He saw a radio car approaching the suspect northbound on the shoulder and the suspect raised his right arm pointing the gun. He believed the life of the person in the radio car was being threatened, therefore he fired three rounds at the suspect.

Deputy Roberts saw the suspect on the shoulder at the number four lane, exited his radio car and took cover behind the metal guard rail. He saw a radio car driving north on the shoulder approaching the suspect. The suspect was illuminated by headlights and he could see that the suspect was carrying a gun in his right hand. He heard several other officers yell to the suspect to drop his gun. He saw the suspect raise his arm and point the gun at the approaching radio car. Deputy Roberts believed the suspect was going to fire at the person in the radio car, so he fired six to seven rounds from his Berretta Pistol at him. After this, he could not tell if the suspect had been hit or not, because the suspect kept moving around and standing, but he lowered the gun to his side, The suspect then raised his gun again, this time pointing it east toward the officers at the center divider. Deputy Roberts said he believed that the suspect was going to shoot him and the other officers. He then fired seven to eight more rounds at the suspect. He saw the suspect fall backward and slump to the ground. He could not see if the suspect was still holding his gun at this point.

CHP Officer [redacted] said that as he got out of his car he observed the suspect holding a gun in his right hand. He drew and raised his gun, aiming it at the suspect. He heard several persons hollering to the suspect to drop his gun and raise his hands numerous times. The suspect appeared to move in a strange type of movement. Officer [redacted] then saw a radio car northbound on the southbound shoulder approaching the suspect. He saw the suspect turn toward the approaching radio car, raise his right arm and point his gun at the car. Fearing the suspect was going to shoot and kill the occupants, he fired several rounds from his Smith & Wesson pistol at the suspect. The suspect continued to move around and point the gun, so he fired several more shots. He believed that he fired twelve rounds.

Officer [redacted] said he got out of his radio car and saw that the suspect was carrying a handgun in his right hand and was on the southbound shoulder. He withdrew his Smith & Wesson.40 caliber pistol, pointed it at the suspect and yelled to the suspect to drop his gun, but the suspect just looked in his direction. Another radio car pulled toward the suspect northbound on the shoulder. The suspect turned toward the approaching car and pointed his gun at it. Believing there was no doubt that the officer's life was in danger, [redacted] fired at the suspect until he finally dropped the gun. He believed he had fired fifteen rounds. The suspect fell to the ground, but still held the gun in his hand pointing it in [redacted] direction. Officer [redacted] saw Officer [redacted] fire two more rounds at the suspect at that time.

All the deputies said that after the suspect was down, Sergeant Doyle moved his radio car closer to the suspect to within twenty feet of the suspect. When the suspect was handcuffed and rolled over, the gun was found underneath his body. Deputy Cline confiscated the suspect's gun and saw that the hammer was in a full cocked position, but there wasn't a magazine in the grip, or a round in the barrel chamber when he locked the slide to the rear to render it to a safe condition.

Paramedics were summoned and the suspect was air lifted to Henry Mayo Hospital where he was treated for several gunshot wounds.

Suspect Steven Yandrich told Homicide Investigators that he was leaving the county for a few days and had wrecked his car. He was taking his property out of the car, including a 9mm pistol, when he was shot by some CHP Officers. He said he had been drinking, but wasn't drunk. He said that he recalled that he had been driving on the Interstate 405 Freeway. He said that the gun he had was empty and he did not have any bullets for it. Suspect Yandrich denied stealing the van. He added that he was walking away from his car and had removed his jacket including the empty handgun from the small of his back and waistband of his pants. He took three steps and he heard CHP Officers yelling at him to drop his gun. He said he drew and threw the gun a distance away to indicate to the officers he was unarmed. At this point he saw other CHP Officers and they fired at him. He fell to the ground after the first shot and was surrounded by officers and they chided him. Someone fired two additional rounds into his back. He heard one of the officers say that he was lucky to be alive. He added that the shots may have come from across the freeway near a center divider.

LOS ANGE :S COUNTY - SHERIFF'S DE ARTMENT

WITNESS LIST

SWORN AND DEPT EMPLOYEES TO INCLUDE NAME, RANK, EMPLOYEE NUMBER, UNIT, AND DIVISION/REGION OF ASSIGNMENT - ALL OTHER WITNESSES TO INCLUDE NAME, ADDRESS (BUSINESS AND HOME) AND TELEPHONE #

WITNESS # 1 **Lawrence Doyle, Sergeant, #[redacted]**
Santa Clarita Valley Station
Field Operations Region III

was interviewed on December 26, 1993 at 1100 hours by Sergeants De Cew and Shively of the Internal Affairs Bureau. The interview was tape recorded. The person interviewed was given a copy of his/herAdministrativeRights: Yes [X] No [__]

WITNESS # ____

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